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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

**EDWARD T. WEI, MARK J. QUILLAN,
WOLFGANG SADEE, and GUENNADY P.
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Examiner: Michael L. Borin

Application No.: **09/849,592**

Art Unit: 1631

Filed: **05/04/2001**

For: **MELANOCORTIN RECEPTOR
ANTAGONISTS AND MODULATIONS OF
MELANOCORTIN RECEPTOR ACTIVITY**

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2003, containing a Restriction Requirement. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for five months.
Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: